

Value of Stake in Annual Kentucky Derby This Year Will Be Raised Considerably

INTEREST IN TURF REVIVED WITH DATE SET FOR BIG DERBY

Kentucky Classic Will Be Run at Historic Churchill Downs May 13 to Decide Best of 1921 Two-Year-Olds

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL. Sports Editor, Evening Public Ledger. The first big test for three-year-olds will be held on Saturday, May 13, when the Kentucky Derby is staged at historic Churchill Downs.

After this race will come the Breakers at Pimlico in Baltimore, which is the second race in value. The Derby, which was revived in 1875 and run continuously ever since, is the banner event of the year.

Will the Rasmusenic champion be conquered by another Behave Yourself or a Paul Jones or an Exterminator, which come out of the clouds to defeat Esoba, or Omar Khayyam, which ickipped into submission the Eastern ticket in 1917?

Be that as it may, the 1922 Derby promises to be the greatest of them all.

Yanks Make Cut in Spring Training

The New York Yankees have put on spring training on a large scale. Instead of shipping several carloads of youthful and ambitious ball players who haven't a chance in the world to make good.

On the other hand, as they say at the club, Jawm McGraw, with a ball club which seems to be made to order, will take some fifty athletes to San Antonio because he wants to find a couple of good pitchers and an outfielder or two.

Last year the Yanks played Santa Claus to all of the bush-league teams in the world. If a ball player expressed a desire to assist the New Yorkers, he was immediately signed.

In a short time the scouts disclaimed all knowledge of ever seeing some of the performers and they—meaning the performers—were sent home by the carload. There was no chance to do any work until the gang had been cut down to normal size.

This year Huggins does not have to do any experimenting. He has his infield and outfield all set, his catchers are good and the pitchers cannot be improved upon.

Huggins' Box Men Stand Out

That pitching staff looms up fearfully at this time. If the stars live up to their reputations, the other cuts in the circuit will have some tall hustling to do if they hope to dislodge the Yanks from the peak.

Not such a bad line-up for an A.N. big-league club. The infield should be rathcr speedy and, if Venech is procured in a trade for Mitchell, another rapping outfield will do a lot of entraining.

The Giants also are all set, especially in the infield. Kelly on first; Frisch, second; Bancroft, short, and Grob at third base could hardly be improved upon.

Everything depends upon the pitchers, and Jewm will have twenty of them on the job. Douglas, Neff, Toney and Barnes are the old stand-bys, and much is expected from Virgil Barnes, Pat Shea and Bill Ryan.

LOOKS as if both McGraw and Huggins are figuring on the World Series again and, according to the early dope, they probably will get their wish.

Willie Green Is "Toothpick" Glove-man

LONG and skinny, Willie Green, of Kensington, is due to push his thin frame into the featherweight division as a boxer of no mediocre ability. This elegant 124-pounder is expected to make his debut in Philadelphia at a fight, which registration is established in the Middle West.

When Willie left his city of birth to step into the garb of a glob during the great war, Green's only intention of fighting was planned for the benefit of his Uncle Sam. However, the lure of making it up with his sailor buddies caused Green to get into fight action, and immediately he became a favorite.

Eddie Stanton, a former boxer, was the athletic director at the Great Lake Station, where the Kensington man was located, and he picked Green as the best prospect of the rising pugilists there.

And Willie has not disappointed Eddie. Stanton had Green boxing consistently in the West until the "toothpick" pugilist fought himself out of opponents, and now Willie is in the East, fully confident that he will be able to display the form to make him a worthy contender for the featherweight championship.

In two bouts to date in Philadelphia Green has demonstrated his class. He had a trouble making winner from Max Baer, and a successful mile and he came through with an impressive and lustrous victory over Earl Hartman, who is one of Philadelphia's most promising boxers.

Green showed in both matches that he was a swifd boxer, although he appeared to lack punching power.

TOMORROW night at the Cavendish Club Green will go to the post, and Johnny Burns has picked Willie Green to take a lambasting.

Boxing is a funny game, you never can tell—and the Davis Willie may upset the dope of the Green, Willie.

PENN IN NEW YORK POLO

Quakers Will Enter Tourney—Big Game Saturday

The Penn polo team, after its victory over Cornell, is in great shape for the big game this Saturday night against the Brooklyn Riding and Driving Club. Dixon has recovered from his recent injuries and the entire squad is in good condition.

DONNELLY IN TOWN

Has Kept in Shape at Local Gym for Saturday's Bout

Johnny Donnelly, Uniontown, Pa., lightweight, has been in town all week. When the National bouts last week were postponed because of the snowstorm, the up-Stater decided to remain in Philadelphia, and he kept in shape at Teddy Brodie's South Philadelphia gym.

Donnelly is to appear in the Elevanth street club against Phil Salvadore, the Coast marvel.

A welterweight match will be the feature of the semi-final. Jimmy Gibbons, of Grays Ferry, will be pitted against Joe Jackson, of South Philadelphia.

THERE'S AT LEAST ONE IN EVERY OFFICE



"The Hardest Battle of My Ring Career"

Of Mike Malone Knocked Harry Brown Into a "Dream" in Latter's Toughest Tussle

"AWOKE" AFTER BOUT

By HARRY (KID) BROWN

IT WAS like a dream—that hardest battle of my ring career. Being socked woofy early in the fifth round, feeling myself sailing along as if through space until after the match was over and then waking up, as it were, in my dressing room were the sensations I experienced one chilly night in September.

Mike Malone, at that time a veteran pugilist of Kensington, was the man who cracked me—then only a mere kid—flush on the chin. I felt myself going down, grabbed him around the knees and somehow or other managed to pull myself up, holding on to Mike in a vise-like grip.

I have a faint recollection of Referee Tommy Reilly losing a lot of puff trying to separate us. Finally he succeeded and, evidently, I staggered around so much for several seconds that Malone howl I ever finished the bout with his terrific right. Then, as if in the distance, I heard the ring of a gong. My handlers surged into the ring and helped me to my corner.

Still, Malone's punch wasn't the hardest I have suffered. The next bout I had was with a fellow at the ball park and in the first round he caught me coming in with a right on the chin. I went down, and the first thing I knew I thought to myself, "Don't they start counting at one any more?"

That punch was the hardest I have ever suffered. In fact, those matches that I had with Moore were the only bouts in which I really was extended and since then I have engaged in eighty-five contests.

Would you believe it, the bouts with Johnny Kilbane and Johnny Dundee were about the easiest I ever have had?

Willie Jackson will tell about the hardest battle of his ring career in Saturday's edition of The Evening Public Ledger.

APPLEBY BROTHERS LEAD

With Two Victories, Are Undeatable in Amateur 18.2 Billiard Matches

New York, Feb. 2.—The Appleby brothers, Edgar T. and Francis S., with two victories each and no defeats, are showing the way to their four rivals in the national amateur 18.2 billiard tournament now in progress at the Crescent Athletic Club, Brooklyn.

Francis came on even terms with his brother yesterday by defeating T. Henry Clarkson, of the Amateur Billiard Club, 300 to 205, in the second round of the tournament.

Clarkson won the matinee contest from Edward W. Gardner, of Montclair, N. J., by a score of 300 to 211. Only two matches were on today's card, Francis S. Appleby versus Edward W. Gardner in the afternoon and Edgar T. Appleby encounters Emil A. Renner tonight.

SECRET BASKETBALL DRILLS

Coach Wachter Adopts Novel Practice Plan at Harvard

Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 2.—Basketball at Harvard is now turned to secret practice. The first secret session will be held this afternoon at Walker Gymnasium at M. I. T.

The team is to meet Yale next Tuesday at New Haven for the first time. Coach Wachter has new offensive tactics he wishes to work out in secret as well as defensive pointers. The five must learn in order to turn back the Yivs.

None but the players of the team will be allowed on the courts for the next few days.

Gophers' Basketball Squad Crippled

Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 2.—With Captain (Clayton) Kearney, of the University of Minnesota basketball team, and seven others, suffering with a shingles sore, the Gophers' basketball squad is in a sorry state. The team is expected to be back in the gym against Indiana here Saturday. Kearney says he is the hospital was considered indefinitely, but there was a chance that he would be able to take the place in the line-up, Saturday.

PADDOCK NOW AFTER TED MEREDITH'S MARK

California Sprinter Has Large Ambitions in Direction of Records for 440 and Also the 100 Yards. Stretch

By GRANTLAND RICE. CHARLIE PADDOCK now carries two heavily coated desires. One is to run 100 yards in 9.2-5 seconds. The other is to run the 440 yards in 47.1-7.5 seconds.

Five years ago Paddock's record-breaking campaign, where he collected enough records to fill a hoghead. "J. J. McGRAW now plans to quit" five years ago these lines were written. But still beyond all chance for cure he finds the pasture's ancient lure. For when the fever's in your bones, in spite of pessimistic groans, when passing years have come and gone, there's something beckons, on and on. There's something calls one to the field. With club and ball, or sword and shield, we, too, have mapped out our retreat. Only to find that we must eat.

EVERETT SCOTT, the Red Sox Yankee shortstop, intends to leave a mark of durability that will never be touched within memory or eyesight of this generation.

ALEXA STIRLING, former woman's champion, has no idea of surrendering her old household at the top without a contest. She plans to play nearby her most golf this season.

MRS. CALEB FOX A WINNER. Huntingdon Valley Golfer Defeats Belleair Heights, Fla., Feb. 2.—Mrs. Caleb Fox, of Huntingdon Valley, defeated Miss Glenn Collett, of Providence, on the Belleair links here by 1 up.

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